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Strong Undercurrent in Domestic Wheat, Which Causes Disappointment and Perplexity Among Speculators—Corn Is Stronger.

New York, April 13.—There was a strong undercurrent in domestic wheat markets early in the week which caused disappointment and perplexity among speculators, especially small scalpers, who could not discover warrant for even a trivial case. At least they gave little attention to the encouraging tenor of cable advice, namely all European markets being somewhat higher, which was unexpected. In view of the large world's shipments and the resultant increase in the quantity on passage, it was the consensus of opinion that the strength in Europe was largely caused by further unfavorable reports from Russia, and also from France, where the rainfall has been excessive, while damage by insect life was apprehended.

Other Countries. It was stated that French importers had been buying Australian wheat freely, to arrive at advanced figures. Advice was strong from Argentina, where there was a good export demand at higher values. In view of these facts, it was little wonder that exporters were in receipt of good orders for our hard wheat and flour at far more satisfactory limits. They bought moderate quantities to arrive from Chicago, and took orders for export for shipment from Duluth on opening of navigation.

This was not surprising, as it was expected that prices would be lower than practically anywhere else in the world. Consumption has been large in Europe, for, despite the heavy world's shipments, the visible supply had not increased fast as it did a year ago. Last week the increase was only 2,600,000 bushels, against 6,400,000 bushels a year ago. Heretofore the total in Europe was decidedly bigger than the corresponding figure last season, but recently the difference had lessened, and now it is no longer important, being 81,978,000 bushels, against 85,400,000 bushels a year ago.

Heavy Selling. The sudden change from firmness was largely attributed to free selling, chiefly bear pressure, prompted mainly by the favorable tenor of the monthly report of the Department of Agriculture, while the condition—5.6 per cent—was admittedly high. This was as had been expected, but nevertheless traders took advantage of the opportunity to hammer the market. Naturally they endeavored to magnify the importance of the report, some exaggerating the probable production, claiming a total of 2,500,000,000 bushels was indicated. According to more conservative methods, it was the general opinion that a yield between 2,200,000,000 and 2,300,000,000 bushels was suggested.

No experienced merchant actually anticipates such a huge quantity in the final outcome. Other words of allowance must be made for the deterioration which invariably takes place between March and July. Besides, there will no doubt be some area abandoned, but this may be materially less than that usually

## WEATHER CONDITIONS WILL AFFECT MARKET

New Orleans, April 13.—It will be much of a weather market on the cotton exchange this week. River news will, of course, play an important part, but the situation on the river will be affected, more or less, by weather conditions. Dry weather will cause hope that the levees will hold while rains will raise the already high stage of water and will soften the levees.

The time is now at hand when much planting must be accomplished over all but the northern sections of the cotton regions. In some portions of Mississippi and other States in the eastern belt planting has been delayed by rains and by low temperatures. Thus far the delay has not been serious, but further delay will be played up strongly. The time factor is a factor of great importance, for the time is now at hand when much planting must be accomplished over all but the northern sections of the cotton regions. In some portions of Mississippi and other States in the eastern belt planting has been delayed by rains and by low temperatures. Thus far the delay has not been serious, but further delay will be played up strongly.

The trade will probably display little interest in anything, but conditions surrounding the river for some time to come. Statistics have not developed strongly one way or the other, and do not promise to show any definite developments in the near future. The market is still in the balance, much interest as it did in the latter situation, although the conclusion of peace might cause a temporary higher price. The spot demand is being watched all the time, but holders are

## NEW YORK STATE TO PENSION MOTHERS

New York, April 13.—Following the lead in advanced economies set by other States, New York is to have a statute providing for the "pensioning of mothers." The bill will be introduced in the Assembly by J. J. Walker, and, at the same time, in the Senate by some member who is favorable to the plan to have this law on the books.

The act will provide that any widow who is the mother of a child, or children under sixteen years of age, and who is unable to support it or them, may present a petition for assistance to the Court of Common Pleas. A pension of \$9 a month is provided for the woman with one child, and \$14 for the mother of two children, and \$1 additional a month for each additional child. The maximum pension provided in the bill to be introduced Monday will be \$20.

Illinois, Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Utah and Missouri already have pension laws. The bill introduced in New York will differ from that which signed last week by Governor Fildes, of New Jersey, only in the method by which the pension is obtained and the method of supervising the granting and continuance of the pension.

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## FIRMEARLY IN WEEKEND REPORT OF WEATHER

Better Trade Demand and Some Covering of Shorts. Situation in Mississippi Valley Will Continue to Attract Attention.

New York, April 13.—The market was firm early in the week on the bad weather in the cotton belt and the continuation of the threatening floods along the Mississippi River, causing a better trade demand and some covering of shorts here and at Liverpool. However, prices advanced to the equivalent of only ten points, or 50 cents per bale, in both markets by Wednesday afternoon. The failure of the trade demand to follow even this small rise, together with better weather and crop reports, led to a slight decline in the last half of the week, and the disposition of traders to secure profits and wait for lower prices before coming in again on the long side, closed the market dull last night, with a no decline of ten points for the week for all the old-crop months from last Saturday's closing quotations and three to five points lower for the new crop deliveries, which range from August to January, which is the latest month being traded in at present.

May contracts in the local market closed at 12 cents last night, against 11.95 for July and 11.86 for August. As contracts with 12 to 15 cents for October, December and January deliveries. The volume of business transacted throughout the week was light and mostly professional, except for some buying here at intervals by Liverpool operators and spot interests, against selling there on straddle operations for differences, as this is much the cheapest market at present.

New Crop Outlook. Chief Factor. The supply and demand features on the crop produced the past season, and the probable world's spinners' actual consumption, nearly balance, that the trade regards the future of prices for raw cotton is now likely to be influenced more by the outlook for the new crop than the thrashing over of old crop statistics. Therefore, the weather and crop news will lead more of a factor on trade sentiment with the passage of each week from now on, than discussions of the tariff, statistics, or anything else. The big question before the market is whether the new crop will get the good start next month necessary to produce another large crop. Planting has only begun in the Southern half of Texas and the lower part of Alabama, Georgia and in Florida, and the southerly part of South Carolina to date. A fair estimate would be that only 20 per cent of the crop has been planted. There should be about 50 per cent of the total area of 25,000,000 acres planted by May 1, and the balance completed by the end of the third week in May. Everything in this respect depends upon the character of the weather over the next four weeks.

Last season's acreage was 34,100,000 acres on the official report of the Agricultural Bureau, against nearly 37,000,000 the previous year, the largest on record. The increase completed by planters in most of the cotton States for this season over last year should certainly bring the new crop acreage close to 35,000,000. No report from the Agricultural Bureau on the matter, however, is due until the first week in July, as a law was passed by Congress last summer preventing any official estimate until then. The first crop condition report of the Agricultural Bureau, however, will appear in former years, the first week in June, giving the average condition of the plants as of May 25.

The threatening overflow of the Mississippi River will continue to attract close attention throughout the cotton trade during the next fortnight, as the crest of the flood wave will not reach Vicksburg until near the end of next week, and pass beyond Shreveport until near the end of the month. In the meantime, the question of floods will depend largely on whether the levees on both sides of the river will hold or not. This week's heavy rains have increased the flood pressure, but the two big breaks in the levees just below Memphis, on the Arkansas side, have relieved the pressure at Vicksburg from Thursday's record stage of 45.1-2 feet, a foot higher than was reached in last year's big flood there.

According to the reports of the Weather Bureau's officials along the river, and the army engineers, the stage of the river at Natchez is expected to go to 53 feet within the next week or ten days, against the high flood mark there last year of under 51-1-2 feet, and 53 feet at Vicksburg, against the present stage there of 46-3-4, and the high record of 52 feet in last year's flood. In the counties immediately adjoining both sides of the river, from Memphis down to near New Orleans, the production of cotton in a normal season figures out between 600,000 and 700,000 bales. The floods of last year occurred at this time, but the waters receded so rapidly, and the weather conditions were so favorable, that planting throughout the flooded area was finished by early in June. After that time, the cotton crop was secured, whether the levees held or not. The weather was so uniformly favorable throughout the whole of June and July and early in August that fair crops were eventually secured. Whether the levees will hold or not, the weather, if the threatening floods now menacing that section should prove as severe as was the case last year, is the big speculative problem of the future.

## JOIN IN PILGRIMAGE TO JEFFERSON'S TOMB

Many Gather at Monticello on 171st Anniversary of His Birth. PRESIDENT SENDS WREATH

Congressman Levy Declares He Will Continue His Stewardship of the Shrine.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., April 13.—The 171st anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson was observed at Monticello today. The delegation of delegates of the Revolution from Illinois failed to arrive in time for participation in the exercises, however. Their special did not reach Charlottesville until tonight, so the pilgrims kept on to Washington without stop. In the absence of the Westerners, the members of Albemarle Chapter, D. A. R., acted as hosts. The exercises took place at the tomb of Jefferson at 2 o'clock. Congressman Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois, made a brief speech referring to the close bonds of sympathy and gratitude existing between the "people of Illinois and Virginia."

"In the hour of danger," said the speaker, "when armies were threatening the colony, Virginia equipped an army and sent it to Illinois under the command of a Virginian, born in the sight of this spot, and the second anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, Illinois became a county of Virginia. Three years later the Illinois County was added to the United States, and the name of Thomas Jefferson appears signed first to the deed executed by the three commissioners appointed for that purpose."

The wreath sent by President and Mrs. Wilson was placed upon the tomb by Congressman Jefferson M. Levy. It consisted of ivy and sage, palms, and was tied with a broad white satin ribbon. A second wreath from the Albemarle Chapter, D. A. R., was placed upon the tomb by Mrs. W. R. Duke, the vice-regent. It was of galax leaves, tied with the D. A. R. colors, and white.

The members of the chapter, with their guests, then repaired to Monticello, where they listened to an address by Congressman Levy, who took occasion to refer to the palm that he had suffered due to much misinformation, covered with framed, unproved and unproved statements which, by letter, from the platform and in the public print had been circulated concerning his ownership and care of Monticello.

He said that during his ownership of nearly thirty years, Monticello has never been and is not for sale, and decided that he had ever directly or indirectly placed a value or fixed price upon it, nor entered into negotiations of any kind looking to that end. He declared that he would continue his stewardship of the shrine, preserving it with all the care and lavishment of former years, appealing to the people of the United States to weigh his ownership and compare Monticello to-day with Mount Vernon.

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## MOVIE PICTURES WILL BE CENSORED

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RECEPTION TO SOUTHALL  
Grand Master of Odd-Fellows Will Visit Local Lodge—Fly-Swatting Crusade.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Alexandria, Va., April 12.—After tomorrow it will be a misdemeanor for any moving picture concern in the city to display motion pictures depicting a crime or an attempted crime. This will be in accordance with an ordinance passed by the City Council March 26 last, and its violation is punishable by the imposition of a fine ranging from \$5 to \$25. The enactment of this ordinance was brought about after a number of youths, who were brought into the Police Court charged with various crimes, informed the court that they got their ideas from seeing crimes depicted in the "movies."

The Presbytery of the Potomac will hold a meeting Tuesday in the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, at which time the Second Presbyterian Church, of this city, will be represented by Rev. John H. H. D. D., pastor, and A. G. Uhler and W. E. Latham, Sr.

Final plans for the entertainment of the delegates who will attend the meetings of the National Council of Women, which will be held in this city Thursday and Friday next, will be made at a meeting to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett.

The joint committee on Finance and Schools of the City Council will hold a meeting Thursday night in the chamber of the Common Council, for the purpose of hearing arguments of members of the Alexandria Trades Council and others in the interest of the erection of a new public high school building.

Application for the appointment of a receiver for the Emerson Engine Company, Incorporated, of this city, was made yesterday before Judge J. B. Thornton, in the Circuit Court at Manassas on behalf of three creditors, who claim a total of \$1,757.63. By consent of the attorneys, action on the application was deferred until Friday next, when the matter will be heard at Manassas before Judge Thornton.

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toax, and extend towards Lodore, \$5,200, having been appropriated for that road for this year. This is regarded as the beginning of the greatest progressive step in Amelia, and will be followed, about May 1, by a convict force, also, for State supervision, which will begin to construct a road out from Amelia, with a view of connecting the two outlying magisterial districts with the county seat.

LAUGHON QUALIFIES AS ADMINISTRATOR

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Pulaski, Va., April 13.—B. Laughon has qualified as administrator of the estate of the late James M. White, who died last Monday, in a penalty of \$20,000. The estate is valued at \$25,000 to \$30,000. There are six heirs—O. M. White, Carrabell, Fla.; J. A. White, Quitman, Ga.; Mrs. J. R. Glenn, Shiloh, Va.; and O. M. White, and Fitzhugh White, Pulaski, Va. Mrs. Sallie White, the second widow, who is surviving, has accepted a child's part in the estate. She wedded Mr. White last fall, and returned to her former home at Lynchburg to live.

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